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SUBJECT: TEXTS OF AMB. RICHARDSON'S REMARKS

FOR AMB. SAYRE FROM ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY BOSWORTH

1. EB HAS REVIEWED THE PROPOSED REMARKS. WE ARE CONCERNED
THAT AN ATTEMPT TO COVER THE ENTIRE NORTH-SOUTH WATER-
FRONT, AS THE PROPOSED TEXTS SEEK TO DO, REQUIRES A LEVEL
OF GENERALITY WHICH RESULTS IN SUPERFICIAL TREATMENT OF
THESE IMPORTANT AND COMPLEX ISSUES. THESE TWO BUSINESS-
ORIENTED GROUPS COULD UNDERSTAND AND MIGHT BETTER
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APPRECIATE A MUCH MORE CONCENTRATED DISCUSSION OF ISSUES
AMB. RICHARDSON IS UNIQUELY EQUIPPED TO DEAL WITH--LOS
ISSUES--AND WE RECOMMEND THIS BE DONE. IN PARTICULAR,
REMARKS HIGHLIGHTING BRAZIL'S ECONOMIC STAKE IN A SUCCESS-
FUL LOS CONFERENCE AND GIVING EMPHASIS TO TOPICS SUCH
AS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, THE PARALLEL SYSTEM, DEVELOPING
COUNTRY ACCESS TO THE RESERVED AREA, ETC. MIGHT PROMPT

MEMBERS OF THESE INFLUENTIAL GROUPS TO TAKE A MORE ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE POSITIONS BEING ADVOCATED BY THE GOB, SOME OF WHICH APPEAR TO RUN COUNTER TO BRAZIL'S LONG-TERM ECONOMIC INTERESTS AS AN EMERGING INDUSTRIALIZED NATION.

2. IF IT IS NOW TOO LATE TO ALTER THE SUBJECT OF THE SPEECHES TO GIVEN, OR IF THE EMBASSY BELIEVES A GENERAL APPROACH WOULD BE MORE SUITABLE, WE MAKE THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE TEXTS CONTAINED REFTEL. WE WOULD CAUTION THAT AMB. RICHARDSON SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ANSWER FAIRLY DETAILED QUESTIONS ON THE TOPICS HE COVERS. EB WAS NOT ASKED TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND MATERIALS ON THESE ISSUES, SO THE TASK OF BRIEFING AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON FALLS PERFORCE UPON THE EMBASSY AND CONGENS. WE HAVE NOT ADDRESSED THE "LOCAL COLOR" SEGMENTS, BELIEVING THESE ARE BEST LEFT TO THE JUDGEMENT OF THE EMBASSY AND THE CONSULATES GENERAL.

3. COMMENTS ARE KEYED TO LINE NUMBERS OF PARAS 2 AND 3 REFTEL
SAO PAUL: 30-57: STRIKE EVERY THING AFTER BETWEEN"
THROUGH "OPPORTUNITY" ON LINE 57. REPLACE WITH: "...THE
DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THE MORE ADVANCED DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES, SUCH AS BRAZIL, WHICH ARE INDUSTRIALIZING
RAPIDLY. THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE ITS
DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO THE POORER COUNTRIES TO FACILI-
TATE THEIR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SOUND AND EQUITABLE ECONOMIC
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GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. HOWEVER, MORE ADVANCED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES LIKE BRAZIL, WHICH HAVE BETTER ACCESS THAN POORER COUNTRIES TO ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF CAPITAL AND NEED LARGE VOLUMES OF CAPITAL, MUST LOOK TO THE CAPITAL WINDOWS OF THE MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS AND INCREAS-
INGLY TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR FOR EXTERNAL RESOURCES TO COMPLEMENT DOMESTIC SAVINGS. BRAZIL HAS BEEN EXTRAORDINARI-
LY SUCCESSFUL IN ATTRACTING PRIVATE RESOURCES. THIS HAS BEEN DUE IN LARGE PART TO SOUND GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES AND TO THE VITALITY OF THE BRAZILIAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY. YOU HAVE SET ANEXAMPLE FOR OTHER NATIONS.'

73: STRIKE "IMPORTANT," INSERT "OF GREAT POTENTIAL IMPORTANCE"
76 THRU 80: STRIKE "ACCOMMODATING . . . TRANSFER." INSERT
"PROVIDING FOR SHARING OF THE BENEFITS AMONG THE INTERNA-
TIONAL COMMUNITY AND OPENING REAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE DIRECTLY IN MINING
ACTIVITIES. THE INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS ARE PREPARED TO
PROMOTE AND ASSIST PARTICIPATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
IN SEABED MINING, FOR EXAMPLE BY UNDERWRITING THE ESTABLISH-
MENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL MINING ENTERPRISE TO BE OPERATED
PRIMARILY FOR THEIR BENEFIT."

86: STRIKE "WHOLLY DETERMINE" INSERT "DOMINATE"

87 THRU 89: STRIKE "WHOLLY. . . ALL." INSERT ;GOAL IS TO
CREATE A REGIME THAT ALLOWS DIFFERING ECONOMIC SYSTEMS
TO PARTICIPATE IN SEABED MINING ON A NON-DISCRIMINATORY
BASIS."

90: STRIKE "LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND NICS ESPECIALLY
A COUNTRY' INSERT "DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY
RAPIDLY INDUSTRIALIZING ONES".

107: INSERT "RECENTLY, BEFORE "A GREATER SENSE"

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PARA 3 (RIO SPEECH)

STRIKE LINE 70 "RESOURCE TRANSFERS" THROUGH LINE 78 "CON-
VERTIBLE CURRENCY FUND." REPLACE WITH "AS NATIONS DEVELOP,
SO DO THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVE-
MENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM, INCLUDING
RESPONSIBILITY TO FACILITATE THE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND
DEVELOPMENT OF POORER COUNTRIES. OF COURSE, BRAZIL PRO-
VIDES SUCH ASSISTANCE, BILATERALLY AS WELL AS THROUGH
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS.
WE ARE PARTICULARLY PLEASED THAT RECENTLY BRAZIL JOINED
THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND AND WILL MAKE A SIGNIFICANT
CONTRIBUTION TO IT.,

86 THRU 89 STRIKE "AND WE ARE COOPERATING. . . COMMODITY
AGREEMENTS" INSERT "WE ARE BOTH MEMBERS OF THE INTERNA-
TIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT AND BOTH PARTICIPATED IN THE
RECENT SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL
SUGAR AGREEMENT. THOUGH THE US IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COCOA AGREEMENT, WE HAVE INDICATED A WILLING-
NESS TO PARTICIPATE IN A RE-NEGOTIATION OF THE AGREEMENT
SHOULD THAT TAKE PLACE. THE US AND BRAZIL WILL PARTICIPATE
IN UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS ON AN INTERNATIONAL RUBBER
AGREEMENT.

106 THRU 109: WE ARE PUZZLED BY THIS SENTENCE. HOW DOES
IT FIT IN?

110 THRU 136: GIVEN THE NATURE OF THE AUDIENCE, WE
BELIEVE INVESTMENT AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MNCS SHOULD
BE GIVEN MORE DETAILED TREATMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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